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Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment

The amendment filed 10/9/2002 is non-responsive for the following reasons:

1. The manner of making the amendment is improper. Applicant is referred to 37CFR1.173(b)(2) and MPEP1453 for the format for reissue amendments to claims. All amendments should be made relative to the original patent (specification and claims) (i.e. all claims added to the patent should be underlined in any subsequent amendments). See 37CFR1.173(g).
2. 37CFR1.173(c) has not been complied with. All amendments to the claims must be accompanied by "an explanation of the support in the disclosure of the patent for the changes made to the claims. Thus, for claims 26,27,29,and 31-45 such explanation is required. Applicant may refer to an original patent claim and indicate the changes made and support in the disclosure. Applicant should note that any and all changes (insertions and deletions) require such an explanation. A statement that an original patent claim substantially corresponds to the new claim is not adequate.

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3. A supplemental declaration is required for all changes to the claims in any amendment to the claims, other than spelling, grammar, etc.. See 37CFR1.175(b) and MPEP 1414.01. A supplemental declaration is thus required for the changes to the claims filed on 10/8/2002.

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD OF ONE MONTH IS GIVEN FOR RESPONSE TO THIS LETTER.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Vit W. Miska whose telephone number is 703-308-3096. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Martin can be reached on 703-308-3121. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-308-7722 for regular communications and 703-308-7724 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-305-4900.

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